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Devolin sweeps Minden Hills reeve race

By Mark Arike
 Staff writer

On Oct. 27, the voters of Minden Hills decided it was time for change.

Over the course of the night, candidates and supporters eagerly awaited the results of the 2014 municipal election in the Minden Hills council chambers.

Some waited upwards of two hours to find out who would represent the township in the next term.

Around 10 p.m. a hush fell over the crowd as township CAO Lorrie Blanchard and interim clerk Cheryl McCarroll arrived with the unofficial results.

Within a few moments, the room erupted in applause, whistles and cheers as Blanchard revealed that Brent Devolin was victorious in the three-way race for reeve, which pitted him against incumbent Barb Reid and current Ward 1 councillor Brigitte Gall.

It was a landslide victory for Devolin who ended up with 2,159 votes. Reid finished with

937 votes – or 20 per cent – while Gall was the runner-up with 1,596.

"It's humbling," said Devolin in an interview with The Highlander. "I could sense in early September, going to door-to-door, that the ground had shifted. That nine out of 10 people that were coming and seeing me were telling me that they had an appetite for change."

Devolin said constituents were supportive of his platform and believed he had the best interests of the community at heart.

"We see the results tonight," he said.

Having filed his nomination papers in January, the first-time candidate spent 299 days on the campaign trail. Devolin felt that this move, along with his decision to retire from his job at Ridgewood Food in Minden in June, allowed him to immerse himself in his campaign.

"I laid it all on the line and I think that if anybody had any question of my sincerity in what I wished to do, I think that was the end of that discussion," said Devolin, who is the

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Reeve candidate Brigitte Gall hugs her opponent, Brent Devolin, who was successful in his bid for the top spot on election night.

Brigitte Gall gracious in defeat

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brother of local MP Barry Devolin.

Devolin said he would be heading to the Minden Legion to celebrate the victory with friends, family and supporters. His wife, Laurie, was by his side throughout the night.

Earlier in the night, Gall told The Highlander that she was happy with her campaign regardless of the outcome.

"Today was a day that I [said] it's going to be what it will be. I can't do anything different. I can't do anymore than what I've done. My campaign team can't do anymore. We've all worked really, really hard, as has everybody here," said Gall.

She said she would be disappointed with a loss because it would mean having to give up a seat at the table.

"I will feel... disappointed that I don't have that opportunity, but certainly not disappointed with the voters. That's ultimately their choice. Tomorrow is a new day, and it begins a new chapter in this community's history and for the days going forward," she said.

In the previous municipal election four years ago, both Reid and Gall were members of the Vision 2010 Team along with

current Ward 2 councillor Ken Redpath and councillor-at-large Larry Clarke.

Redpath wound up losing his seat to candidate Pam Sayne and Clarke withdrew from the election in June for the position of reeve.

Reid extended congratulations to all of the candidates in an email to the paper.

"I would like to offer my congratulations to all candidates who participated in the election and wish the new council well," she wrote. "I hope it is as productive as the outgoing council has been."

Deputy-reeve incumbent Cheryl Murdoch regained her seat with 2,821 votes. Rick Ashall won 1,529 votes and John Beattie took only 214. Ron Nesbitt beat Daryl Moore 2,402 votes to 1,983 for the position of councillor-at-large. Sayne defeated Redpath with 754 votes to 560. Current Ward 3 councillor Jean Neville was re-elected with 496 votes against Richard Bradley, who ended up with 165.

Jeanne Anthon and current councillor Lisa Schell were both acclaimed to seats in Ward 1.

Constituents embrace new voting methods

By Mark Arike
 Staff writer

For the first time in Minden Hills history, Internet and telephone voting were made available to voters for the 2014 municipal election.

And according to feedback from township staff, both methods were widely accepted.

"Response to Internet and telephone was positive and those who preferred the traditional paper ballot were happy to have that option," wrote interim clerk Cheryl McCarroll in an email.

For example, successful reeve candidate Brent Devolin received 1,395 votes via telephone and internet versus 764 paper ballot votes. One of his opponents, Brigitte Gall, received 1,220 votes through the new options to 376 paper votes.

McCarroll said that electronic results were received quickly and that the manual count of paper ballots was completed by 9:40 p.m. The polls closed at 8 p.m.

Updates weren't provided to candidates or the public

throughout the night; instead, the final numbers were revealed all at once around 10 p.m.

One of the most challenging parts of the election for staff was going through the voters list. McCarroll said that more than 50 deceased people had to be removed from the list and more than 450 people without a birth date or complete birth date were on the list (this information was needed to access Internet voting).

"There were letters sent out from the municipality advising voters to contact the municipal office and the Voter Information Letters also included a warning that their birth date was required," she said.

Two scrutineers were present during the manual count at the community centre and 13 staff provided election support at the advance poll on Oct. 11. Seventeen staff worked on voting day and three additional workers were recruited to assist with the count.

Voter turnout was 42 per cent, which is a decrease from 45 per cent in the 2010 election.

There were a total of 11,211 eligible voters.

Highlander news

Fearrey earns mandate Voters make clear choice for reeve's 'final' term

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

The long campaign is over and Murray Fearrey will remain as Dysart et al's reeve.

Results of the Oct. 27 election didn't come in until after midnight, but when the ballots were counted, Fearrey was named reeve with 3,075 votes to Janis Parker's 2,639.

"She fought a hard fight," Fearrey said of his opponent. "She had a lot of support and very professional support the way the campaign unfolded. It was a good exchange of ideas and platforms, and the people have spoken."

In a statement issued on her Twitter feed, Janis Parker congratulated Fearrey on his win, thanked her supporters, and said her commitment to the community will remain strong.

"I'm thrilled with the numbers I achieved tonight, but the change we were seeking didn't happen," she wrote. "Many have said my challenge for the seat invigorated the community and got conversation going. It's my hope that this enthusiasm will be sustained as Dysart moves forward."

Fearrey said he knows he's up to the job for the next four years, but expects this will be his last term.

"You should never say never, but right now, in my head right now is that this definitely will be it. I'm pleased the electorate gave me the opportunity to lead once again."

When the new council meets in December, Fearrey said the priority will be those he outlined in his platform, namely infrastructure and jobs.

"Jobs are always a priority on every council in Ontario," he said. "How you do that, the best way, is to create an atmosphere to allow small business to grow. Stay out of the way and let small business do its thing, stay consistent and try to balance things one against the other."

Fearrey said despite having new members on council this term, they'll be able to work together to get the job done.

"Some of the ideas that came out in the election, we'll pursue those and flush them out, see what's valid and what isn't. We'll try to work with the community to move forward."

"Dysart isn't just about the town of Haliburton, it's about Dysart. We need a balanced approach."

As reeve, Fearrey works closely with his deputy on

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Murray Fearrey
reeve, Dysart et al

items that are more important than the regular issues that arise for councillors. He said the race for deputy reeve surprised him.

Andrea Roberts and Dennis Casey both campaigned for the deputy reeve's seat. Deputy reeve Bill Davis announced this election that he would not seek to retain that seat, but instead challenger for councillor in Ward 1.

Roberts defeated Casey by a vote of 3,048 to 2,428.

"I feel excited, a little shocked," she said. "I really didn't know [on election day]. I really didn't have a sense of whether I was going to get in or not."

Roberts was at home waiting for results, while Casey was in the municipal office as a scrutineer. When the results came out, he asked Roberts' representative if he could call and deliver the news personally.

"I was a little overwhelmed when Dennis [Casey] called me," she said. "That's how I found out. [It was] very classy."

She said the first step for new council will be to have Fearrey decide what the committee structure will look like, and whether or not recommendations to split some committees will be adopted.

Following that, Roberts wants to develop a formal strategic plan.

"We need to have some longer term vision plan than just what are we going to do this year, or four years, and I think that came out in the campaign a lot."

This will also be her first term on county council.

"I know there will be a bit of a learning curve," she said. "I'm excited and I know I'm ready for the challenge. I know I can handle it."

Fearrey said earlier in the election that both Casey and Roberts were very capable to do the job.

"I feel very confident about that," he said. "We [he and Roberts] can work together."

In Ward 1, Nancy Wood-Roberts (580 votes) defeated Bill Davis (326) and Bob Nichol (110). Derek Knowles (777 votes) overcame David McKay (519) and Steve Dunec (291) in Ward 2. Tammy Donaldson (438 votes) won Ward 3 amidst controversy over her opponent, Bill Sinclair (415), and Susan Norcross (701) kept her seat in Ward 4 over challenger Aaron Walker (590).

Voter turnout was down from the last election, with only 5,849 (44.44 per cent) ballots cast in 2014 compared to 6,075 in 2010.



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Editorial opinion

Winners and losers

Barb Reid out, Murray Fearrey in, Dave Burton holds, and Dysart and Highlands East drop effective councillors.

Each municipality had its own storyline this year. Some are winners in the election, others, losers.

Minden is a winner.

Barb Reid has been unseated by Brent Devolin. What the township's new reeve will bring to the community is some stability and level-headedness – something it's lacked over the last four years.

While he has a lot to learn about running the township, his steady bearing should give the community an opportunity to heal itself. What's uncertain is the exact nature of his vision for Minden Hills, although he's already taking steps in the right direction, promising to stream municipal council meetings online so ratepayers can more easily engage with its government. Besides, vision isn't Minden's top priority at the moment.

With political veteran Jeanne Anthon on board and Pam Sayne replacing Ken Redpath, whose contributions to council were suspect, it's all good news for Minden Hills.

Dysart's results aren't so clear.

While Janis Parker offered a movement towards change, voters decided they'd rather stick with Fearrey. The reeve has shown he can manage this municipality and the voters trust him to get the job done. But if this is to be his last term of council – and he's saying he expects it will be – who's going to step up behind him in four years?

As things stand now, Roberts isn't ready to be reeve. She and Fearrey have four years to prepare, but if she isn't ready then – and this isn't to say she won't be –

finding a suitable heir could be a challenge.

In going against one another for deputy reeve, Roberts and Dennis Casey have eliminated a Plan B for succession. Casey could try running for reeve next term, but he would do so without four valuable years' experience as Fearrey's deputy.

With its new faces, this council will likely get off to a slow start. However Fearrey has been around a long time and it's reasonable to expect he's already thought of these issues and has started planning for them.

Reeve Carol Moffatt was acclaimed in Algonquin Highlands. Her council, with the exception of one, remains intact which is a win for her township, too. It's expected Liz Danielsen will return as deputy-reeve and it will be business as usual in the north end of the county.

Highlands East council also remains intact, with the exception of Ward 1 councillor Steven Kauffeldt. While his replacement, Cam McKenzie, will make a good addition to council, losing Kauffeldt in the process is a blow to the municipality.

Kauffeldt brought new ideas to council, was open-minded and outspoken, and he worked hard. He was also an ambassador for his community and the county as a whole. Hopefully he will continue his work as a member of the public.

The next four years in Haliburton County will be interesting as these storylines play out. Let's hope the winners can keep their momentum, and the losers can still make some of the contributions that inspired them to run for office.



By Matthew Desrosiers

One last choice

The 2014 election may be remembered as much for what didn't happen as what did.

Business woman and volunteer Janis Parker did not unseat long-time reeve Murray Fearrey yet still made an important contribution to the community with her candidacy. It forced the discussion of longstanding issues and disproved the theory that nobody could or would ever challenge the reeve.

Parker's clean, positive campaign makes Fearrey's win all the more meaningful. He now has a clear mandate from the voters while Dysart has the satisfaction of knowing he was their choice and not just there by default.

Highlands East was much the same, Dave Burton fending off his feisty challenger in another worthwhile test of voter confidence. Burton passed, as did the rest of his council with the unfortunate exception of Steven Kauffeldt, a councillor who distinguished himself in his term through hard work and a can-do attitude. Algonquin Highlands – well, a new councillor was elected to a vacant seat.

If there were disappointments, perhaps the most poignant were in Dysart. Though a newcomer to politics, Aaron Walker's performance on the campaign trail and at the all-candidates meeting impressed many voters. His strong record in business and community service would have made him a strong addition to council and potential future leader. Even so, Ward 4 electors stuck with the incumbent.

And then Dennis Casey. His campaign was one of the most sincere, Casey himself one of the hardest working candidates with solid council experience and indubitable commitment. His run was highlighted by a heartfelt closing speech at an all candidates meeting that many found touching and refreshingly honest. When both Casey and fellow veteran councillor Andrea Roberts both decided to leave their relatively safe ward seats to run for deputy, it was inevitable one of them would have to go. Roberts will be a positive force on council as deputy reeve; it's just too bad Casey won't be at the table as well. We should expect to see him back, along with Walker and Kauffeldt, in about four years.

Of course the big story was in Minden Hills, another dog that didn't bark. Brigitte Gall did not split the vote sufficiently to reelect Barb Reid – many voters had been worried about that possibility.

And if there was an exact moment Rick Ashall's run against Cheryl Murdoch was over, it was at the all-candidates meeting. Whether he had aligned himself or not with Reid (along with Moore and Redpath) wasn't nearly as fascinating as watching them try to avoid answering a trifecta of direct questions in real time in front of 300 people and streaming television.

Ashall's answer – that they did so to save

money – was about as believable as when British Foreign Secretary William Hague explained that he had shared a hotel room with a young, male assistant for the same

reason: it may have been technically true, but it wasn't the full story and everyone knew it.

Who else had been invited to "save money" besides the four, whom we'd learn later were conducting joint phone calls as well? Nobody, it turned out.

Regardless, it was never about teams in Minden Hills. Gall was aligned with Anthon and Neville while Devolin, Murdoch, Schell and possibly Nesbitt had their own little group. Who cares?

No, it was about the leader of one particular team for whom teamwork seems to mean something different than it means to most of us. Good teams have leaders who allow each member the freedom to work with their strengths, to have their own opinions and make independent decisions. Leaders of effective teams put group goals ahead of their own and understand that achievement is more important than getting your own way. That is what Brent Devolin promises under his new mandate, the kind of collaborative leadership Minden wants and needs.

With it all finally, thankfully over, the issues discussed by voters and candidates remain. Minden Hills still has an arena facing enormous repair bills. We have OPP cost increases bearing down on all of us. And the lack of jobs (and paradoxically workers at the same time) is an ongoing problem. Oh yes, and 3,000 out of 7,600 permanent homes – 40 per cent – are occupied by seniors, with no alternative housing for them available when the time comes.

We have made our choices for elected officials, but there is one choice left to make. The election brought out factions and emotions that were at times unseemly, pitting different parts of our communities against one another. Reality is, we're stuck with each other – all of us. There is nothing to gain in arrogance or defiance save the hollow self-satisfaction beloved by the shortsighted and self-centred. And we've had enough of that.

We can choose to find common ground in our love of the Highlands. We can choose to work together, to put our differences aside to solve our problems and build our future. We can choose to support our elected leaders and help them with some huge challenges.

Let's get started.

The Highlander would like to thank all candidates who participated in Know Your Candidates interviews and other coverage for HighlanderTV. In doing so, they helped us provide voters with an unprecedented depth of information on which to base their decisions.



By Bram Lebo

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Letters to the editor

Be proud to be Canadian

Dear editor,

This has been on my mind and I want to express it. Last week's terror attack in Ottawa triggered this letter. While any terror attack, whether carried out by a group or a single extremist, whether it results in the loss of thousands of lives or just one, is to be deplored. But that's not my message.

Only one person who mattered died (the gunman died too, but his death was unimportant), but the bad news is this is not going to be the last such attack. This was inevitable: Canada's support of the world's fight against extremism and terror has not gone unnoticed. I certainly don't think we should cower in fear or back down. I think this event should add to our resolve to wipe out terror organizations that threaten the globe. The message should be not to poke a sleeping lion.

I watched the public reaction to the death of Nathan Cirillo. There was news coverage around the world. The Queen expressed her condolences. Thousands of people stopped what they were doing, stood on overpasses and at the side of the 401 to pay their respects as the hearse travelled from Ottawa to Hamilton. That road has been designated as the "Highway of Heroes" and a laudable tradition has developed to honour the sacrifices of our armed forces members in defence of our country and our way of life. I fully support that expression of solidarity. But in my mind, it raises another issue. Two, actually.

Why does the public not express the same outrage when a police officer is killed in the line of duty? Yes, the law enforcement community acknowledges and honours the

sacrifice of a fellow officer, but why doesn't the public? Just like the armed forces – more, perhaps – these people stand between us and the bad guys who would do us harm. Is there a line drawn somewhere? Is defending our country more important than defending individuals? It doesn't matter whether it was directly at the hands of a terrorist, a criminal, or in an accident while trying to defend us. Dead is dead.

We need to recognize and pay homage to the sacrifices of our police officers, our firefighters, any other emergency service personnel, as much as we do to a soldier who was struck down in the performance of his or her dangerous duty.

I know a lot of police officers, a few firefighters, and some selfless EMTs. They all deserve to be recognized for what they do and especially know that we are proud of them. Go shake a cop's hand. I dare you.

My second message is this: drive through any small town in the U.S. and you will see homes bedecked with flags, streets lined with symbols of American patriotism. Drive through an equivalent Canadian neighbourhood and, oh, look, there's a flag! One.

There are lots of reasons I prefer being a Canadian to an American, but this isn't one of them. Why are we not committed to our country as they are to theirs? Are we not proud to be Canadian? Why don't we say it more? Yes, we can add "please" and "thank you" but we have to stop being apologetic about being citizens of such a great country. To start with, fly a flag. I do. I dare you to do the same.

Glenn Springer
Minden Hills

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Photo of the week



Photo by Iryna Samofalova

Two loons enjoy the last days of fall.

CO alarms save lives

Dear editor,

With the passage of Ontario's new CO law – The Hawkins-Gignac Act – the Haliburton Fire Department is relieved knowing that Haliburton County's citizens are now much less likely to experience the types of tragedy that can result from exposure to 'The Silent Killer'.

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Protect your family. Install a CO alarm today.

Two helpful websites to visit for more information are endthesilence.ca and safeathome.ca.

Miles Maughan
Fire Chief, Haliburton Fire Department

Listening to the raven

The mist floated in delicate ribbons across the field that lay before me, only the farthest corner of which was brightened by the watery sunlight of an October dawn. A chipmunk rustled in the tumbledown stone wall and a raven 'cronk cronked' as it flew overhead. Was he wishing me good luck or mocking my presence? Who knew?

I hoped that the raven bade me well but not so deep inside I felt just a little foolish. Definitely silly enough to imagine this wisest of birds to be laughing at me. You see, I was sat 20 feet up in a tree, a tree bereft of almost every leaf, bar the few that I could count on one hand. I was sitting in what was essentially a chair in a tree, fixed to the top of a spindly ladder, looking out across a field rifle in hand, waiting for a moose.

Now, if you take a moment to think about this you will also probably come to the same conclusion: an Englishman sitting in a tree, pretty silly, eh? An Englishman sitting in a tree holding a rifle, the likes of which until a year ago he had only ever seen in John Wayne movies. An Englishman sitting in a tree with his John Wayne rifle, wearing a bright orange coat and toque. Just how ridiculous would that look if you were

passing by?

If I were to describe the scene to one of my friends back in Blighty they would most certainly think I was either joking or high on some form of hallucinogenic substance. Firstly, they have trouble even imagining people hunting big game. Second, they cannot fathom what it would be like to actually own a gun, and a cowboy gun at that – it is too, a lever action and it's soooo cool. Add to these two preposterous scenarios the fact that the Canadian fellows that I was hunting with had made me wear bright orange and had me sit in a tree: my English chums would be falling about laughing, the tears streaming down their cheeks as they told me what a fool I'd been made of.

The trouble was, even though I felt quite foolish and despite my novice status as a hunter, I knew that my Canadian buddies had sat me up there in that seriousness. And so I sat still and I watched and listened.

I saw a grouse strut and drum in the nearby bush line. I marvelled at a squirrel who clambered about the branches of the very tree I sat in, seemingly oblivious of me. I saw the shadows gradually shorten and the mist dissipate as the sun grew higher in the

morning sky. And I watched, every sense in my body in limbo, somewhere between complete relaxation and high alert.

And then I saw it. The moose.

My mind went blank and yet into overdrive simultaneously. I hadn't expected to see a moose but here it was before me, trotting slowly across the field, its ears twitching, long legs lifting higher than they needed. I stared for what felt like an eternity before realizing I was staring through the sights of my gun, that same gun I had felt almost foolish holding a short while ago. My heart pumped loud in my ears but I could still hear the crackle of the animal's hooves on the corn stubble.

BANG!

The moose checked, faltered but kept moving.

BANG, BANG!

And then it was gone into the bush at the edge of the field.

My mouth was dry like sandpaper, my heart still beating fast. I didn't feel foolish now. I was hot, flushed but breaking into a cold sweat, the adrenaline coursing through every artery, every vein in my body. What did I do? Did I miss? It was a long shot after

all. I struggled to assess the situation. I battled with a whirlwind of emotions churning inside.

Then BANG! A shot from my hunting partner. The brittle crack snapped me from my state of physical and mental paralysis and I clambered down from the tree stand, back into the moment and reality.

The radio crackled into life. "Who shot? Who shot?" came the question. I didn't answer. I listened as the story was told on crackling shortwave.

"Willy shot first. Hit him. Sent him straight to me. I finished him off."

And then we were walking fast to catch up to the radio voice. First a handshake and then a trek to another orange toque, this time hung on a tree to mark the spot where our moose lay.

I stood and looked at our slain quarry, my mind still in turmoil, as the raven flew over and made comment for the second time that morning. He didn't mock me this time, of that I felt certain, but whether he congratulated or chastised me for my actions, I cannot be sure.

The Outsider



By Will Jones

Highlander opinion

Eye on the street: *What are your thoughts on the election results?*



Betty Inglis

Haliburton

I was quite happy with some of them, and in particular Dysart Ward 1.

Christine Wooder

Haliburton

I liked it. It was awesome. I really liked that we could pre-vote, that was good. I am all for Murray Fearrey.



James Misner

Haliburton

I was pleased with about 80 per cent of the results. Sorry my friend Bill Davis did not win. On the whole it was good.



John Menzies

Haliburton

I am happy and I am sad. Happy that Nancy got in but sad that Dennis lost. Very sad that Janice did not get in.

George Cassie

Dorset

I am from the north end of Haliburton County. Happy that Carol Moffatt got in and Marlene Kyle, too. They have done a fantastic job.



Photos and interviews by Walt Griffin

Letters continued from page 5

Our firefighters are appreciated

Dear editor,

I was so pleased to see you focus on our volunteer firefighters two weeks ago. The breakdown of information of each municipality regarding budgets and equipment is particularly fascinating. The fact that Highlands East covers such a huge geographic area with about half the budget of another municipality of similar size makes me wonder – does one overspend or does the other not have nearly enough to spend on these essential services?

But it was your particular attention on the life of one firefighter that really caught my eye. I realize that Sheila represents the many extraordinary others across the county, but by zeroing in on the details of one individual life you convey a better sense of what these people really commit to, and what we owe them.

Having had family members who needed medical attention, as well as my own building having been saved by the local team, I really can't say enough good things about these people. They race from their private lives to deal with any unknown horrors, at 2 a.m. or during Christmas dinner. They may arrive upon a tragedy involving their friends, or even their own family before returning to their paying jobs or their homes.

Committing to this must be far more stressful than the lives even full-time responders lead. Because some of us can remember when even oxygen being made available locally was big news, I have to say thank you all for the training, time and help you give to the rest of us. You are so appreciated.

**Janet Barker
Wilberforce**

Stop printing trophies

Dear editor,

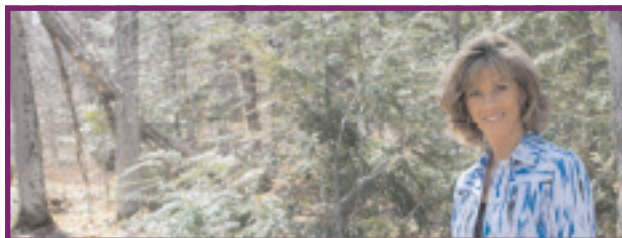
We are more than aware that it is hunting season. Everyone can hear the pop of the guns off in the background during this period. Of course, we all know what is going on when those sounds are heard, echoing in the stillness.

But do we need to see a picture of it? I think it was in extremely bad taste to post pictures of dead ducks and a dead deer, big brown eyes staring lifelessly out from the page (The Trophy Wall, The Highlander issue 156, page 24).

Hunters delight in the kill. It's part of the sport. But there are many people that dislike the thought of it.

It is what it is, but please show a little respect for those people who do not enjoy the hunting season, and forget printing the colourful pictures.

**Susan Bernard
Silver Beach**



I would like to thank my family, friends, and the many people who gave their support. I am honoured and privileged to serve as your Deputy Reeve for the Municipality of Dysart et al for the next four years.

We all care deeply about the future of our community, let's work together to make it even better!!

Andrea Roberts

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Highlander news

Burton wins vote of confidence

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

Highlands East voters have spoken, and the message is satisfaction.

With the exception of one seat, the incumbent councillors carried the day on Oct. 27.

Reeve Dave Burton overcame a strong challenge from political neophyte Steve Cosentino, winning 1,959 votes to 1,350.

"I'm excited, I'm very pleased," Burton said.

Cosentino's primary residence was listed in Whitby, although he owns two properties in Highlands East and spends nearly half the year there. He decided to run at the last minute because he felt Burton should not be acclaimed to the reeve's position.

Throughout the election, Cosentino fought to overcome his seasonality in the area and relative inexperience within the community. Burton, on the other hand, ran on his experience and accomplishments within the municipality and at the county level.

Despite that, Cosentino managed a respectable finish that caught the reeve off-guard.

"I was somewhat surprised by the numbers," Burton said. "We did shake hands, it was a clean and above-board campaign on both our parts and I appreciate that. It was a good campaign."

Although Cosentino put up a good fight, Burton said the overall election results in Highlands East shows the ratepayers were pleased with his council.

"It speaks fairly loudly that they [voters] were content with this council," he said. "I had different people during the campaign said they didn't know why this council wasn't acclaimed."

The one seat that did change was in Ward 1, where incumbent Steven Kauffeldt was defeated by 22 votes at the hands of challenger Cam McKenzie. The votes were 182 for McKenzie to Kauffeldt's 160.

"I knew it was going to be close," McKenzie said of the race. "Right from the start, I really thought I was going to come out a little bit ahead. I'm not a negative person."

McKenzie spent the last days of the election going door-to-door to drum up votes, he said. Now that he's earned his seat, McKenzie will have to get up to speed with what the rest of council has been up to, and what's going on in the municipality.

"I've been sitting in on council meetings, and I know how it goes and what's going on with big projects," he said. "A lot of minor variances and stuff, I know nothing about that kind of thing. I have a month to look at some

of that."

He said he'll be reading the Green's Mountain master plan, which was a project that came up often throughout the election.

Burton said he's already spoken with McKenzie and will have an orientation session with him and the rest of council to get him up to speed.

McKenzie said there's no major priority for him on Day 1 of the new term.

"Business has got to carry on and it will the way it was," he said. "I'm going to have input in what my thoughts are on the issues. For me, just learning the ropes and procedures, I'm really the new kid on the block."

His first task will be getting into the committee system. While he wouldn't say which committees he may be a part of, he said the reeve had already talked to him about it and he's very interested.

In a statement to The Highlander, Kauffeldt congratulated McKenzie and thanked the community for their support during his term.

"I want to thank the people of Cardiff and Ward 1 for the support they showed me in this election, but it is time to move forward with a new chapter," he said. "Looking forward, I would like to wish Cam [McKenzie] well as

he takes over the job of councillor.

I had a chance to shape our municipality and represent the best part of Highlands East. Thank you from the bottom of my heart for this opportunity."

Burton said Kauffeldt was an essential part of the last council.

"I am certainly going to miss him," he said. "He has done a wonderful job with his committee, his housing and grants committee.

He's going to be missed there, and I'm going to miss him at the table. He brought a lot of input and discussion."

"He was a breath of fresh air to be around and work with."

However, Burton said McKenzie will also do well and be an asset to the new council.

"Cam [McKenzie] will be fine. With his background coming from the Ministry of Natural Resources and firefighting, I think he will fit in quite nicely."

In the rest of the municipality, Suzanne Partridge defeated Adam Szelei 644 votes to 432 in Ward 2, Cecil Ryall won Ward 3 with 627 votes to Donna Graham's 433, and Joan Barton overcame Todd Bertram 654 votes to 278 in Ward 4.

Voter turnout was 40.29 per cent across the municipality. Council's new term begins Dec. 1. The new council will be sworn in at the inaugural meeting on Dec. 9.

It speaks fairly loudly that they [voters] were content with this council.

Dave Burton
reeve, Highlands East

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Nov 11

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www.mindenhills.ca
October 27, 2014

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Cheryl McCarroll
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Upcoming Community Holiday Events

Bough Making - Nov 12th

The township of Minden Hills is having a
bough making workshop on Wednesday
November 12th from 7-9 pm at the Minden
Community Centre. These boughs will be
used to decorate the downtown core on Friday
November 14th. All materials will be provided.
Volunteers needed!

Town Decorating - Nov 14th

The township of Minden Hills is looking for
volunteers to help decorate the downtown
core of Minden this holiday season. Anyone
interested can meet in the Village Green on
Friday November 14th at 1:00 pm. If you have
your own scissors, please bring them along!

Tree Trimming - Nov 15th

The township of Minden Hills is hosting a tree
lighting ceremony on Saturday November 15th
from 4-5pm at the Village Green. There will be
free hot chocolate and a special appearance
by "Out Loud Womyn's Voices" who will be
singing holiday carols. Bring your family out to
spread a little cheer this season!

The theme for the tree is "Nature Friendly" so
only natural, biodegradable ornaments are
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at home with some of the ideas listed on our
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events and bring them along with you to help
decorate the tree.

Santa Claus Parade - Nov 22nd

The township of Minden Hills will be hosting
their Santa Claus Parade on Saturday
November 22nd starting at 11:30 am. The
theme for this year's parade is "Christmas
through the years"

The parade will start at the bus loading zone
of Archie Stouffer Public School and travel
South on Bobcaygeon Road to the Municipal
Administration Office on Milne Street.

There will be hot chocolate and pictures
with Santa at the Village Green immediately
following the parade, all for FREE! Kids don't
forget to bring your letter to Santa when you
come!

If you would like to enter a float into the
parade, application forms are available on
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More spooky stuff

Daniel didn't understand how it had happened. Lately when he drove to the grocery store or walked the dog, it seemed every house and business was swamped with Halloween – themed merchandise. He refused to call these 'decorations', as in birthday or Christmas decorations. Those were pleasant celebrations. But these, aside from a few carved pumpkins, were mostly grotesque depictions of depravity and gore. When, he wondered, did jack-o-lanterns, black cats and witches change to mass murderers and depraved clowns? But then maybe all this frenetic preoccupation with the bizarrely loathsome was a convenient distraction from the true horrors of modern life in a world of epidemics, wars and horrific violence.

Yet despite these cynical and gloomy thoughts poking into his head recently, today Daniel hummed to himself as he went about his daily chores. The leaves were piling up nicely with his rake, the sun was shining surprisingly warmly in an unblemished sky and he had just finished a bowl of homemade turkey soup. Life actually felt pretty good.

As he found himself enjoying the day, his mind shifted to what he had always thought

Halloween was about. Ghosts, vampires and the supernatural in general. Oddly enough, the truly supernatural had always fascinated Daniel. Perhaps this was because he had heard about it and even experienced it himself. And those experiences had been more real, more believable than all the coloured plastic he now saw around him.

There had always been stories in his family about 'strange doings'. He attributed these to his Irish heritage. Tales of banshees and people who possessed so-called 'second sight' had made his spine tingle when he was younger. Dreaming of a black horse was supposed to foretell of death. There had been mysterious lights appearing in unoccupied old houses, a dog howling just before the unexpected and sudden death of its master, mysterious bagpipe music wafting across country hills and séances that seemed to conjure cold drafts of air. It had all been deliciously different and scary but not in a vicious and violent way. Spooky yes, depraved no.

When he was very young, he had supposedly seen a deceased relative and had run excitedly to tell his mother of the strange

man in the brown jacket. She had known who it was but when she had gone with Daniel to the spot, no one had been there. Even now there were times Daniel had felt his mother's presence in the unexpected rocking of her favourite chair or a shadow that passed through his peripheral vision. He knew he felt something odd when he entered certain rooms in certain old buildings, though he was at a loss to describe exactly what that something was. Spooky yes, depraved no.

So now Daniel felt out of step with much of what he saw at this time of year. Perhaps, he mused, he was simply getting older and not keeping up with changing ideas.

The wind tugged at his hair as he continued to rake. A flock of black-eyed juncos had descended around his bird feeder and he stopped to watch them gorge on sunflower seeds scattered on the ground. Fall could be both a blessing and a curse, depending on your perspective, he thought.

For some it was a time of death as birds left, plants shrivelled in the cold and trees lost their leaves. Unlike this sunny day, skies were often grey and at times the rain came and stayed for days as the seasons moved between summer

and winter. Darkness grew. Hence Halloween was a good fit. But October and into November could also be seen as a

time to prepare for the slumber of winter, a time to store food and fuel. The pace of life slowed after summer's busyness. The air had a fresh snap without being frigid. Biting into a crisp apple or completing a neatly aligned pile of firewood had their own satisfying rewards.

His efforts were interrupted when his wife Jane called from the back porch. They had been invited to a Halloween get-together at his cousin's. There would be bobbing for apples, pumpkin carving and a big bottle of wine for the best costume. "And don't forget to bring your ouiji board," Jane repeated from the phone call.

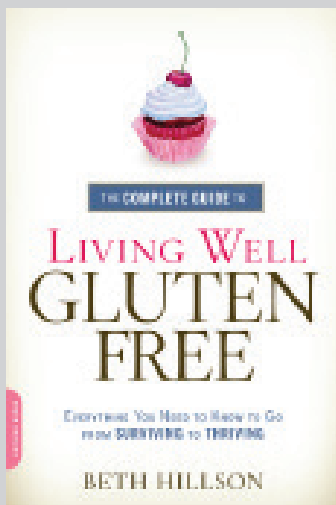
Daniel smiled. This type of gathering he could enjoy. He just didn't want to have to cope with brain-eaters, chainsaw killers or crazed ventriloquist dummies. Call me old-fashioned, he thought, returning to his raking, but I prefer ghosts and goblins.



By Sharon Lynch

Haliburton County's Hot Reads

The following are popular new additions to the Haliburton County Public Library's collection this week.



HCPL's TOP FICTION

1. *Desert God* by Wilbur Smith
2. *Gray Mountain* by John Grisham
3. *No Known Grave* by Maureen Jennings

HCPL's TOP NON-FICTION

1. *The Complete Guide to Living Well Gluten-Free* by Beth Hillson
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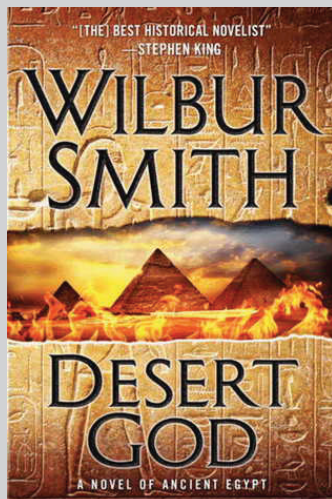
1. *Clariel: the lost Abhorsen* by Garth Nix (YA)
2. *Mrs. Lane is a Pain!* by Dan Gutman (JF)

AUDIO and VIDEO at HCPL

1. *Earth to Echo* (DVD)
2. *Shopaholic to the Stars* by Sophie Kinsella (Book on CD)

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Haliburton author Michael Barnes has just published his latest book, Scoundrels and Rogues.

Featuring Canada's crooks

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

They are some of North America's most nefarious crooks, and Michael Barnes has put them together in one book.

In *Scoundrels and Rogues: The Canadian Connection*, Barnes, a member of the Order of Canada and one of the county's most prolific professional writers, features 18 notorious criminals whose acts took place in or around Canada.

"This book was the idea of the publisher," Barnes said. "There's great public interest in crime."

The book talks about Canada's most successful pirate, a woman who went to jail and became a member of the Order of Canada afterwards, members of the Chain Gang, and the man who masterminded The Great Escape.

"Many of them are not Canadian," Barnes said. "They're American. Many came up here, did their thing and either left or [hid]."

Although he tried, Barnes said he was unable to find anybody from Haliburton for his book.

"What I tried to do was take something from each area of crime: murder, theft, embezzlement, and of course, things that don't exist today like piracy," he said. "It's a good bedtime book."

Barnes actually met one of the people from his book, a member of the Stopwatch Gang.

"You get lots of TV things where the guys are keeping to a very short time period to get away," he said. "These guys were the originals. Three well-educated men, Canadians who met in university. One of them carried a stopwatch around his neck and two

minutes was their limit."

The gang started by stealing a shipment of gold from the Ottawa airport, then moved to the United States and did their deeds in California.

The man, Steven Reed, and his wife were at a writer's union meeting and they sat at the next table over from Barnes, which is where they met.

The cover of the book shows 12 mugshots, which according to Barnes, are some of the first such photos taken by the Toronto police in the 1900s.

Barnes is most well-known for his writings on northern Ontario. He began writing in 1971. For more information on Barnes or *Scoundrels and Rogues: The Canadian Connection*, visit barnes4books.com.

Highlander life

Folk Society helps launch young musician

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

With influences such as Taylor Swift, Ed Sheeran and John Mayer, 14-year-old Cassidy Glecoff is poised to pursue a career in music.

It was just three years ago that the Grade 10 student at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School started singing and playing the guitar. Her keen interest in music was sparked by her father Jason, who she says first picked up the guitar at the age of 17.

"I kind of just picked it up from him and had the interest from seeing him do it," said Glecoff, who's also watched YouTube videos to develop her craft.

Glecoff gave music lessons a try, but quickly discovered she would rather learn on her own.

The first time she performed in front of others was for her classmates at J.D. Hodgson Elementary School's annual music night.

Two summers ago she was invited to perform at Essonvilleapalooza, an annual music event hosted by local artist Albert Saxby. There she met several other local musicians, some of whom asked her to open for them.

"Then I got into the [Haliburton County] Folk Society and it just kind of took off, I guess," she said.

Other than performances at family weddings, Essonvilleapalooza was the first real gig where she entertained a group of strangers.

"I was really nervous, but now it's a lot easier because I do it more often," smiled Glecoff.

To date, the young artist has worked with Saxby, Amelia Edmunds and Canadian Country Music Hall of Famer Johnny Burke.

Her recent performances have included ColourFest, Music On the Gull and a concert for a live studio audience at Canoe FM's Radio Hall. Often times she is backed up by percussionist Tim Tofflemire and Chad Ingram.

Glecoff has covered the work of other artists, but is now starting to branch out and create original material. Her first song, "Dream," was written by Saxby and is about how media has changed society and what people value. The song will be included on the Folk Society's Homemade Stew album along with several other artists.

When she's not busy at class or doing homework, Glecoff is developing her skills as an artist. She's in the midst of learning to play the piano – and already has a few songs under her belt.

She hasn't yet finalized any plans for once she finishes high school, but Glecoff is adamant about pursuing music as a vocation.

"I'm not really sure what plan B is yet," she said.

Just like most other proud parents, Jason and his wife Denise are their daughter's biggest cheerleaders. They can be found at her performances, capturing all of the highlights on video. Her father established a YouTube channel for the multi-talented artist under his name.

"She has improved an incredible amount just from practicing a lot," said Denise. "She takes it seriously, she works hard at it."

Over the past couple of years, Glecoff said she has greatly improved her guitar-playing skills and now has a more comprehensive understanding of music.

One of her favourite parts of the journey so far has been sharing her gift with others.

"I think it's a lot of fun doing it [performing]"



Photo by Mark Arike

Grade 10 student and budding musician, Cassidy Glecoff, is off to a strong start in her young music career.

in front of people, rather than just keeping it to yourself. It's expressive and I like that," she said.

Glecoff's next appearance will be on Dec. 13 at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion in Haliburton as part of the Folk

Society's second annual Homemade Stew Concert. She will then open up for David Francey Trio at the same venue on Jan. 31.

Her live studio performance at the Radio Hall will air on 100.9 FM on Oct. 30 at 6 p.m.

EMS director receives exemplary service medal

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

Haliburton County EMS director Craig Jones is a recipient of an exemplary service medal from the Governor General's office.

Jones brought the medal to an Oct. 22 county council meeting and spoke about what it meant to receive such recognition for 20 years of service.

"I was very proud," said Jones, pointing out that his peers nominated him for the award. "It's a very unique opportunity to be recognized for your outstanding service."

He said to be eligible for the medal one must spend at least 10 years of their career on the road, and provide community outreach and educate fellow paramedics.



Photo submitted by Craig Jones

Haliburton County EMS director Craig Jones receives his exemplary service medal.

Jones joined the county this past January, following the retirement of Pat Kennedy. He

previously held the position of deputy chief of operations for Northumberland County.

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Through my eyes Goblins and ghouls

It is nightfall. The curtains are closed in some homes and others have carved pumpkins sitting about. The wind whips at the windows and doors as if it has a mind of its own. The lights are out all around the house, but somewhere some families are sitting around, huddled on the bed or the couch watching horror movies or sci-fi marathons.

However, the traditions of Halloween didn't originate in candy and weren't about family time. The costumes worn on Halloween were originally worn to scare off evil since it was a more prominent time for malevolent and treacherous spirits. This was the time when the undead were believed to break free of the spirit world and come wandering the realm of the living to create havoc.

I was invited to go on the Halloween zombie walk, yet unlike some teenagers, I am not the type of person who likes to be scared on Halloween. I prefer sitting on my couch watching TV marathons of the Twilight Zone, with several cups of hot cocoa to stave off the chill in the air. My opinions on Halloween have deteriorated as I have aged.

When I was a child I would love nothing more than to try and outdo my younger siblings in the "who could collect the most candy" challenge. Then, of course, the rules of candy collection changed and it was a requirement to always check your candy

for torn wrappers.

The reason for this, as I finally realized, was that this was a way for some sick individual to harm others, so I stuck to buying a big box of candies and treating the family to them. I remember as a kid in my costume running up and down sidewalks with my family going from house to house, trick or treating. We used to go to all the best places in our town and the rewards were great.

I fondly remember one account of my grandmother sneaking up on me in a home-made wolf costume one Halloween when I was younger. She scared me so badly I, in self-preservation, punched her in the nose, which was rather embarrassing for me and infuriating for her. This quickly turned into laughter and fun as everyone remarked on how impressive her handmade costume was. She took great delight in scaring everyone!

Looking forward to this Halloween I wish all the young trick or treaters to be safe, be scary and most of all have fun and gets lots of candy.

As I prepare to hunker down I will leave you with this old Scottish saying. From ghoulies and ghosties and long-leggedy beasties and things that go bump in the night, Good Lord, deliver us!



By Austin McGillion



Photo by Mark Arike

Left to right, Vijay Marathe, Harsh Kanojia, John Neving, Kanchan Marathe and Ketan Dekiwadia present a \$1,000 cheque to HHHF CEO Varouj Eskedjian and HHHF executive director Dale Walker.

Restaurant wraps up Bucks for Beds campaign

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

Dublin Gate's Bucks for Beds campaign has raised \$1,000 for the purchase of new acute care beds for the Haliburton hospital.

The restaurant's owners and staff presented the funds to Haliburton Highlands Health Services (HHHS) CEO Varouj Eskedjian and Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation (HHHSF) executive director Dale Walker on Oct. 23 at the establishment.

"Ketan [Dekiwadia] came up with this idea," said Walker, referring to the owner of Dublin Gate, who also happens to sit on the HHHSF board of directors.

Through the campaign, which launched in May, restaurant patrons were asked to donate when they were presented their bill.

"We did some training with their staff ... just so that they knew what was happening and how to do it," said Walker. "It worked out very well."

The HHHS is in the process of buying nine beds at a total cost of \$45,000 for the hospital's inpatient department. The beds are expected to arrive well before the start of the new year.

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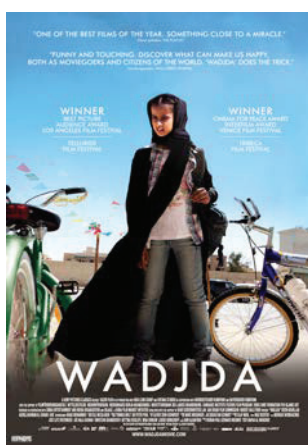
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Irrfan Khan (Life of Pi, Slumdog Millionaire) stars alongside the radiant Nimrat Kaur in Ritesh Batra's delightful feature debut, in which a mistaken lunchbox delivery paves the way for an unlikely romance. In Mumbai, home to over 18 million people, more than 5,000 famously efficient dabbawallas — lunchbox couriers — navigate chaotic streets to deliver lunches, lovingly prepared by housewives, to working men across the city. Ila (Kaur) is a housewife living in a middle- class neighbourhood with a husband who ignores her. Saajan (Khan) is a beaten down widower about to retire from his number-crunching job. After Ila realizes that Saajan is receiving the meals meant for her husband, the two begin sending each other letters through the lunchbox. What starts as an innocent exchange about Ila's cooking gently develops into something more.



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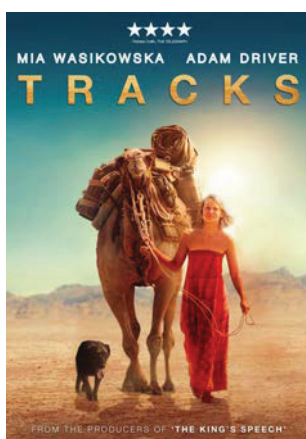
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**LIKE FATHER, LIKE SON**

Japan - Japanese with English subtitles - Not Rated - 121 min
Saturday, November 8 at 1PM

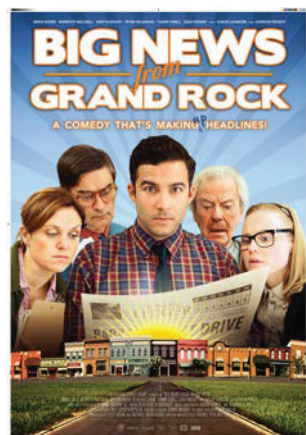
This poignant 2013 drama from acclaimed Japanese director Hirokazu Kore-Eda tells the heart wrenching story of two sets of parents whose worlds are turned upside down when they learn that their six-year-old sons were switched at birth. Like the work of a seasoned symphony conductor, Kore-Eda's direction is at once gentle and powerful, favouring small, tender moments over a single dramatic incident. Japanese pop star Fukuyama delivers a moving performance as the reserved Ryota, whose soul searching about what it means to be a father lies at the heart of the film. Although framed in a Japanese cultural context, the questions Kore-Eda poses around parenthood and "nature versus nurture" are universal. Like Father, Like Son reminds us that any definition of family needs to be constructed around unconditional love, first and foremost.

**TRACKS**

Australia - English - Rating PG 13 - 112 min
Saturday, November 8 at 3:30PM

In 1977, a twenty-seven-year-old Australian woman named Robyn Davidson set out from Alice Springs to walk 2,700 kilometres of harsh desert to the Indian Ocean. Accompanied only by her dog and four camels, Davidson yearned for a solitary journey of self-discovery, and had no ambition other than to reach the ocean. She ultimately wrote about her desert adventure in her 1980 book Tracks, which became a cult favourite around the world and has now been beautifully adapted for the big screen by director John Curran (The Painted Veil, We Don't Live Here Anymore).

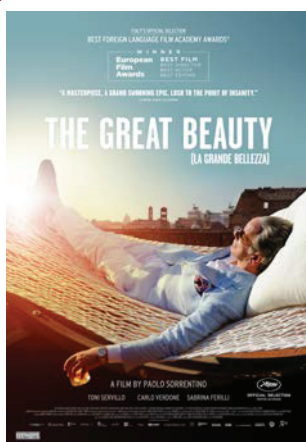
As adapted by Marion Nelson, Tracks captures two arduous journeys: Robyn making her way slowly through the outback, and her (arguably more perilous) inner search. The motivation behind her decision to test her limits, and the reasons for her preference for animals over people, are subtly revealed during the chronicle of the arduous crossing. Curran casts the harsh, red-baked land as much more than just Robyn's antagonist.

**BIG NEWS FROM GRAND ROCK**

Canada - English - Not Rated - 87 min
Saturday, November 8 at 7:30PM

Big News from Grand Rock is the story of Leonard Crane, the editor of a small town newspaper facing bankruptcy. In an attempt to attract advertisers and readership, Leonard begins inventing stories based on old movies. The plan pays off until one of the stories attracts the attention of Lucy, an ambitious reporter from the big city. She exposes Leonard's hoax. But then ... Leonard discovers that one of his stories may be true. With a great scoop but no one to believe him, Leonard and Lucy must team up to try to save the town, the newspaper and his reputation.

Big News from Grand Rock is a fun Canadian comedy about small town life that the good people of Haliburton and Minden are sure to relate to. Filmed in the town of Midland. Winner of 2009 Telefilm Pitch This! contest at TIFF, juried by Ivan Reitman and others. Special Guest to talk about the movie.

**THE GREAT BEAUTY**

Italy/France - Italian with English subtitles - Not Rated - 142 min
Sunday, November 9 at 10AM

Winner of the 2014 Oscar for Best Foreign Language Film, The Great Beauty is both a comedy and a drama beautifully filmed throughout. Director/writer Paolo Sorrentino's subject extends well beyond the crisis his sixty-five-year-old protagonist is undergoing, for The Great Beauty is determined to look into the very soul of Italy. Concentrating on world-weary journalist Jep Gambardella as his cipher and muse, Sorrentino scrapes away the veneer of this character to explore his disappointments, not just as a failed novelist who never married and has no children, but also as a man who has surrendered to cynicism. As Sorrentino's camera moves through a nocturnal Rome, after the parties and the conversations are over, it settles on the timeless beauty of the city's monuments and statues, which act as wordless reminders of a different kind of past. The Great Beauty is a grand indictment of a man, and a society, that has lost its way.

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Above: Students join Haliburton Curling Club members and program sponsors on the ice for a photo-op on Oct. 28. Right: Haliburton Curling Club member Aggie Tose looks on as a student readies himself to throw a rock.

Junior curlers take the rink

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

Students are taking to the ice to learn the fundamentals of curling and develop their team skills through an annual program hosted by the Haliburton Curling Club. Through the youth curling program, 38 elementary students between the ages of nine and 16, and high school students learn all about the sport at the Haliburton club.

About 15 members of the club volunteer their time to teach the kids and help them improve upon their game.

The program has been going for more than 20 years.

"I think it's just important that these kids learn at a young age how to curl," said club member and volunteer Hugh Nichol, adding that there are many bonspiels kids can enter.

"It's a great sport for kids because they have to do so many things well – and

there's all these things we expect kids to do well in life," he said.

Skills they learn, said Nichol, include teamwork and decision-making.

Club member and convenor Bob MacNaull added that the sport also teaches students good sportsmanship and etiquette.

Every Tuesday, students from J.D. Hodgson Elementary School are bused to the curling club. This is made possible due to local business sponsors and the generosity of First Student bus lines. The club provides all of the equipment and snacks to participating students.

The registration fee is \$70 per child.

Registration began in the middle of September and kids took to the ice in the middle of October. The program continues until the end of March and in April some of the students will head to the Timbits Provincial Curling Championship.

Last year, the club took three teams to the event and MacNaull expects to take just as



many kids in the upcoming year.

"From the number of kids and the caliber of curlers, [we expect] to probably have as many again this year to represent JDH at the provincial championships," he said.

Nichol said curling is a sport that anyone

can enjoy well into their golden years.

"The kids have a lot of fun," he said.

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Bantam A's are Fall Classic Champs

Submitted by Susan Haedicke

The Storm Bantam A team had an early 8 a.m. start to the Fall Classic tournament, but they were ready and won the first game 3-0 against the Sturgeon Lake Thunder.

The first goal resulted from a pass by Jacob Haedicke to Patterson-Smith, who dangled through the defence and shot it over the goalie. It was give and go action nearing the end of the first period when Dollo passed it to Schmidt and he snapped it hard for the second Storm goal, ending the first period.

The second period offered some back and forth action but remained scoreless. The battle continued into the third. Manning and Patterson-Smith fought for control of the puck behind the net, dug it out and put it on Flood's stick in front of the net. Flood flicked it nicely into the top corner for the goal. That ended the first game and was a nice shut-out for Bellefleur.

The Storm met their match against the London Jr. Mustangs, suffering their first loss 4-2. It was a hard-hitting, fast, scoreless first period. The pressure continued to build along with the frustration into the second, both teams working aggressively to dominate. The opportunity finally came with a pass from Cooper to Haedicke, with a rush to centre and a quick pass to Flood, who snapped it in for a goal, ending the second period.

The Storm came out a bit sluggish in the third and made some critical errors, costing them three goals within minutes. Late in the game, Flood rushed in and shot one past the goalie, unassisted. With a minute left and a bit of hope, the goalie was pulled for the extra attacker, but it wasn't enough. The Mustangs got the empty-netter ending the game, despite a number of great saves by Parker Smolen.



Photo submitted by Susan Haedicke

The Highland Storm Bantam A's with their Fall Classic championship medals.

Next, the Storm went against the Douro Dukes and they managed a 2-0 win. It was an early start and a long day at the Haliburton Arena, and it was starting to show. A scoreless first period led into much of the same in the second. With less than a minute remaining in the second, Cooper's shot found the opening, assisted by Dollo and O'Neill.

The third period action came late when the Dukes pulled their goalie in an attempt to tie, however Devyn Prentice picked up the puck and banged in the empty-netter with seconds left in the game. That resulted in the Storm placing second in their pool and into the semi-finals.

The semi-final game started early Sunday morning against the Centre Hastings Grizzlies. The closely matched teams were pumped and offered lots of back and forth action for most of the first period. With just over a minute left, four-on-four, Walker ripped a shot from the blue line that was deflected in for the first Storm goal, assisted by Prentice and Manning.

Minutes later, the Grizzlies rushed in and

tied it up. The momentum continued to build in the second period, with the Storm team working hard to dominate. Patterson-Smith dangled in, around the goal and managed a quick pass to Flood, who was positioned perfectly to bang it in the top corner for the second goal. Tempers, along with aggressiveness, grew in the Grizzlies and the long list of penalties began and continued into the third period. That, along with outstanding saves by Smolen and the Storm's tenacious effort won the game 2-1, sending them off to the finals.

The Storm met the London Jr. Mustangs in the finals.

The team knew they needed to step up their game, having experienced their first loss against London the day before.

That's exactly what they did.

The game was fast-paced, end-to-end action of clean hockey. London scored late in the first period on a lucky break, as Bellefleur was solid in net for the Storm. The intense, give and go action continued, with many chances

by both teams.

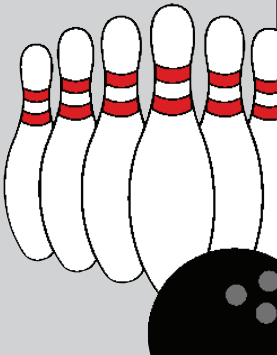
The Storm team was relentless in their efforts and late in the second period they tied it up with passes from Flood and Manning onto the stick of Patterson-Smith, and he found the open corner. That same line deked through London's defence, passed from Patterson-Smith to Manning, then to Flood and he snapped it in, putting the Storm ahead 2-1.

It was a well-played nail biter game to the end. Cooper sealed the victory with an empty-netter, assisted by Carter with a second on the clock. The Storm Bantam A team became the champions of the 9th Annual Fall Classic Tournament.

Thank you and congratulations to the entire Storm team for a great weekend of hockey. Thanks to the bench staff: James Reilly, Tom Prentice, Kirk Cooper, Travis Walker and Greg Turner, and a huge thanks to all the parents that helped make the tournament a success.

Fast Lane Bowling Scores

Monday afternoon, Oct. 20			Olympics, Oct. 15		
Men			Men		
High average: Ken Thompson – 196			Brent Leffering – 179		
High single: Claude Cote – 259			Jason Cochrane – 168		
High single handicap: Claude Cote – 286			Gerald McKnight – 163		
High triple: Claude Cote – 622			Women		
High triple handicap: Fred Phipps – 707			Sklar Pratt – 174		
Women			Buddy Plouffe – 133		
High average: Chris Cote – 177			Robin Fletcher – 125		
High single: Chris Cote – 259			Thursday, Oct. 23		
High single handicap: Chris Cote – 274			Men		
High triple: Chris Cote – 640			High average: Jim Cummings – 185		
High triple handicap: Chris Cote – 772			High single: Gord Shirran – 229		
Monday night, Oct. 20			High single handicap: Gord Shirran – 281		
Men			High triple: Gord Shirran – 623		
High average: Rick West – 218			High triple handicap: Gord Shirran – 779		
High single: Connor Cowan – 294			Women		
High single handicap: Connor Cowan – 317			High average: Pat Stiver – 177		
High triple: Connor Cowan – 681			High single: Barb Ballantyne – 228		
High triple handicap: Connor Cowan – 750			High single handicap: Elli Welch – 275		
Women			High triple: Barb Ballantyne – 547		
High average: Cathy Snell – 221			High triple handicap: Gladys Routcliffe Helen Dentinger – 692		
High single: Sandra Glecoff – 237			Friday afternoon, Oct. 24		
High single handicap: Sandra Glecoff – 280			Men		
High triple: Sandra Glecoff – 593			High average: Ken Thompson – 209		
High triple handicap: Sandra Glecoff – 712			High single: Claude Cote – 276		
Tuesday afternoon, Oct. 21			High single handicap: Claude Cote – 304		
Men			High triple: Ken Thompson – 660		
High average: Ken Thompson – 210			High triple handicap: Claude Cote – 735		
High single: Ken Thompson – 277					
High single handicap: Dave Brantom – 327					
High triple: Ken Thompson – 734					
High triple handicap: Ken Thompson – 782					
Women					
High average: Chris Cote – 179					
High single: Rae Shephard – 215					
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RM Carpentry Atom A Submitted by Jason Glecoff

Dan Bell Atom Peewee Tournament – South Muskoka

In Game 1, the Highland Storm took on the South Muskoka Bears.

The scoring opened with Winder working to get the puck in front to Phippen who buried it with prejudice. The Storm made it 2-0 with a beautiful tic-tac-toe goal by Phippen from Boom Boom and Mills. We then went to 3-0 with Winder going to work in his office behind the net, out in front to Upton for the finish.

But the Storm had to make it interesting for the fans. The Bears got one and, with just minutes left, pulled their goalie for two more to take the contest to overtime. Glecoff, Winder and Phippen faced off against the Bears for 3-on-3 overtime. They pressed hard and with seconds left, Phippen forechecked hard, got the puck and buried it for the overtime winner. The fans gave a great sigh of relief.

Game 2 saw our Highland Storm take on the Penetang Flames. This one ended 2-1 for the Storm with a hard-work forecheck goal from Winder and a deflected shot through the defence from Mash. Goalie Maddock shut the door on the Flames.

Game 3 against the Lincoln Blades didn't go the Storm's way. After one-and-a-half minutes of play, it was 2-2 with goals from Phippen and Hutchingson. But after a good start, Lincoln proved too strong and took the game 7-4 despite Phippen's second hat trick of the tournament.

The finals saw the Storm rematch against the Blades. The Storm fought hard and received production from Winder, Robinson, and Boom Boom, who later had to leave the game while battling a bug. Goalie Maddock and the Storm defence faced a barrage from the well-disciplined Blades and despite their best efforts were

overwhelmed with seven goals.

The Storm players distinguished themselves with a second place finish in a tournament where they faced stiff competition from teams from much larger centres. Way to go Storm!

Tom Prentice & Sons Tykes Submitted by Andrea Prentice

The Tom Prentice & Sons Tyke team travelled to Lindsay on Oct. 26 to face off against the Lindsay Black Tyke team. The Highland Storm pulled off another win with an 8-1 finish. A hat trick goes to Ty Rupnow. Goals for Jace Mills, Mak Prentice, Kadin Card, Beckham Reynolds, and Colby Coumbs. Great team play, passes, assists, position play and goaltending were all key to this Highland Storm win.

Minden CARQUEST - Canadian Tire Midget B Girls Submitted by Dan Marsden

The Minden CARQUEST - Canadian Tire Midget B Storm girls hockey club won two of three games on their weekend road trip.

They travelled to Peterborough Saturday afternoon to take on the Ice Kats in a battle of undefeated teams. Being short-staffed on the blue line with Jamie Little out of the line-up with a concussion, the Storm defeated the second place Ice Kats 2-0 to move past Peterborough in the standings. Kennal Marsden sniped both tallies and Connor Marsden had her second shut-out of the season in the win.

The Storm continued east and travelled to Baltimore to take on the 'ever-wild' West Northumberland Wild in their second game of the day. The Saturday night tilt was a hard-fought contest with the blue line anchored by Maddie Allore, Maddie

Billings and Cassidy Garbutt. The Storm opened the scoring with a goal mouth scramble being put away by Erin Little. Erica Carmount put the Storm up 2-0 with another goal mouth battle pushing the puck past the Wild netminder.

West Northumberland chipped away making the score 2-1 midway through the second period. Alicia McLean scored a short-handed marker midway through the third period to retake the two-goal lead. The Wild never gave up drawing close with their second goal late in the third period off another goal mouth scramble, this time in favour of the home club. The Storm rallied to the challenge and preserved the 3-2 win.

On Sunday, the Storm had a chance to remain undefeated and possibly move into first place in their loop, but they would need to defeat the Napanee Crunch. After two scoreless periods, Napanee went up 1-0, capitalizing on their power-play early in the third period. Both teams continued to exchange quality scoring chances but both netminders turned away and stopped all pucks directed at the net. Napanee handed the Storm their first loss of the season with an empty net goal and 2-0 win.

The Storm take on the Durham West Lightning this weekend in a home-and-home contest. The first game is Nov. 1, Saturday afternoon on the road with the return match-up Nov. 2, Sunday afternoon in Minden at 2 p.m.

Joanne Sharpley's Source for Sports Atom AE Submitte by Ron and Lisa Hall

On Oct. 25, the Joanne Sharpley's Source for Sports Atom AE team headed to Gravenhurst to take on the Oro Thunder. Both teams battled hard with no scoring in the first and only one goal in the second by Oro. In the third period, Oro put in two more goals to make the final score

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3-0. Hard work by all the Storm players, including Damon Harriss, Kyan Hall, Evan Armstrong, Dylan Keefer, Curtis Mulock, Olivia Villamere, Emily Alexander, Jamie Crowe, Walker Nesbitt, Chloe Billings and Brody Prentice. Next game is on Nov. 2 at 1:30 p.m. in Haliburton.

Canadian Tire Novices Submitted by Tracey Gilbert

The Canadian Tire Novices had another busy weekend of hockey starting off with a game Friday night against the Bancroft Jets. The Novices ended up with another great 9-0 win over the Jets giving them their fourth straight victory of the season and a second shut-out for goaltender Taylor Consak.

Sunday's game against South Muskoka Bears proved to be a tough one. We finally got a goal in the second to start the game off and the referees called it back. The novices were now even more determined to get another one and take the lead.

Shortly after we got one past the goaltender into the back of the net to give storm a 1-0 lead. They continued to battle hard, having a couple of great chances, but the South Muskoka goaltender was tough to beat. The Storm held them off until the last five minutes when they managed to squeak one past our goaltender, evening the game at one a piece. The Storm pulled out all the stops, trying to get another one before the end of the game to give them the win but they just couldn't do it. The final score was a 1-1 tie.

The Canadian Tire Novices have another busy weekend ahead. They travel to Omemee to participate in a one-day tournament on Nov. 1, and then head to Oro to take on the Oro Thunder on Sunday Nov. 2.

Red Hawks victorious at Kawarthas

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

Both the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School Varsity A and Varsity B girls field hockey teams were crowned Kawartha District Varsity champions after their most recent games in Peterborough on Oct. 27.

The Varsity A team, led by coach Caley Sisson, defeated the Holy Cross Catholic Secondary School Hurricanes by a score of 1-0 to advance to the final game. They then went on to beat Crestwood in a 5-0 shutout at Sir Sandford Fleming College Artificial Fields.

The Varsity B team squeaked out a 2-1 victory over Holy Cross in overtime sudden death play on the same field.

Both teams received trophies and ribbons for their wins.

"It was an excellent day for both teams," wrote Sisson in an email.

"The girls played very well and gave it their all."

Sisson said that playing on turf was quite a different experience from the field at the high school.

In a previous interview, she pointed out that the game speeds up on this surface.

"[It's] a game of possession, passing and speed," she said. "Accuracy of passing is important to keep possession of the ball and it is important to play your position."

The Varsity B team adapted well to turf, said Sisson, considering this was their first time playing on it.

"This was a challenge to overcome as they have had no previous experience. They accepted this challenge and played very well," she said.


Meanwhile, her team played "one of their best games of the season."

"They played with passion, drive and determination," she said, adding that the team was looking forward to their next challenge at COSSA on Oct. 30.


The top three teams will be joined by North Hastings at COSSA on Thursday. The winning team will advance to OFSAA next week.

Sisson said the Red Hawks would be catching up on some rest, and practicing short corners and penalty flicks.

"Fortunately, we have played the Kawartha teams on three occasions so we can prepare for our games against any of these teams," she said.



The girls played very well and gave it their all.
Caley Sisson
coach, Varsity A team



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Highlander sports

Get in the swing of pickleball

By Mark Arike

Staff writer

It's been said to be the fastest-growing sport in North America.

And anyone who has tried their hand at pickleball in the Haliburton Highlands can likely attest to this statement.

"It's for any age and fitness ability," said Marilyn Whittaker, one of the volunteer organizers of a weekly pickleball session held every Thursday evening at J.D. Hodgson Elementary School in Haliburton.

"It's not difficult, doesn't hurt your arm like tennis – you don't get pickleball elbow," she joked.

For just \$2 per night, anyone can show up and play for two-and-a-half hours in the school's gymnasium. Those new to the sport will receive a brief lesson and overview of how the game is played.

Whittaker describes pickleball as a mix between badminton, tennis and ping pong.

"If you've played ... any racquet sport it's a breeze," said Whittaker.

A typical game is played with two or four players who use a solid paddle to hit a perforated polymer ball over a net. A badminton court doubles as a pickleball



Photo by Mark Arike

Emily Rayburn connects to put the ball over the net.

court, and the rules are similar to tennis with a few adjustments.

The sport was invented as a children's backyard pastime before gaining popularity amongst adults.

Pickleball began to catch on locally after

it was featured in the Ontario 55+ Winter Games held in Haliburton County in 2011. The sport will be included in the 2015 event when it returns to the county next February.

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Highlander outdoors



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Top: Kelly Winder with auction prizes including firearms and art. Above left: Norm Barry (left), Jackie Johnston and Keith Thomas each won a firearm during the auction. Behind them is Andy Laidley, Ducks Unlimited area fundraising manager. Above right: Jerry Walker, Haliburton Ducks Unlimited co-chair.

Big bucks for Ducks Unlimited

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

In an effort to protect Ontario's wetlands, the Haliburton Ducks Unlimited chapter raised an estimated \$25,000 at their annual gala and silent auction.

On Oct. 25, 125 people attended the sold-out gala event. Shannon Stinson, co-chair of the chapter, said everything went off without a glitch.

"It was fabulous," she said. "Everybody had a good time."

The financials were not complete as of print deadline, however at \$50 per ticket and with the success of the auction, Stinson said her estimate should be accurate.

Participation in this year's event was similar to last year. Because of the number of auction items donated to the event, they held it at the Haliburton Legion.

Stinson said there were thousands of dollars' worth of donated auction items for guests to bid on, including firearms, art, and some furniture.

"Because Ducks Unlimited is so well-known, people don't mind donating to it," she said.

The money raised is used by the organization for wetlands conservation across Ontario, including here in the Haliburton Highlands.

"It all goes back to Ontario's wetlands," Stinson said.

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OBITUARIES



AILWEN "ANN" COLWELL

Age 84 years
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Passed away at Lakeside Health Oshawa on
Saturday October 25th, 2014

Beloved wife for 64 years of Robert L. "Bob" Colwell. Dear mother of David & Jacquelin and John & Mary. Loving grandma of Melissa (Jake), Clayton and Kristine (Brandon). Dear sister of the late Doreen Silver.

A Celebration of Ann's Life will be held on Sunday November 2nd, 2014 at the ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION, BRANCH 174, 109 King Street East, Bowmanville from 1 to 4 pm, with Tributes at 2:30 pm. Memorial Donations may be made to Bowmanville Hospital Foundation or The Heart & Stroke Foundation through NORTHCUIT ELLIOTT FUNERAL HOME, 53 Division St. Bowmanville, with whom the arrangements have been entrusted.

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Audrey 'Jean' Fletcher (nee Mark)
September 28, 1926 - October 24, 2014
(Resident of Haliburton, Ontario)

Peacefully at Extendicare Haliburton on Friday evening, October 24, 2014 in her 89th year. Beloved wife of the late James Fletcher. Loving mother of James (predeceased) and his wife Barb, Ona and her late husband Laurie Lantz, Linda Blackman, Dianne Fulton, Kevin and his wife Joanne, Gary and his wife Tracy, Craig and his wife Robin and Robin Fletcher. Cherished grandmother of 26 grandchildren, 42 great-grandchildren and 8 great-great-grandchildren. Fondly remembered by her nieces, nephews, other family and friends. Predeceased by her brothers James, Morgan and sister Peg. Jean was a member of the Royal Canadian Legion Branch #42 in Toronto and was the past president of the Royal Canadian Legion Branch #129 and Ladies Auxiliary.

Memorial Service

Friends are invited to call at the ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION BRANCH #129 719 Mountain Street, Haliburton, Ontario on Saturday, November 1, 2014 at 1 o'clock. As expressions of sympathy, donations to the Veterans Comfort Fund - K2C or the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Ontario would be appreciated by the family. Arrangements entrusted to HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME 13523 Hwy 114, Haliburton, Ontario 705-457-9289.



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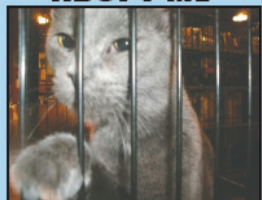
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In February this year, our community rallied behind our children with Angelman Syndrome (AS) by attending, sponsoring and supporting the Catch the Cure event in Minden.

Proceeds from the events and online fundraiser that took place that week totalled \$21,000 for the Foundation for Angelman Syndrome Therapy (FAST). We, along with the international AS community, were overwhelmed and thrilled by the love Haliburton County offered.

Tecwyn, Tathan McCutcheon and Harper Tiffin have some exciting news to share! In part because of the funding raised at this year's event, FAST is hosting groundbreaking clinical trials for a therapeutic beginning in 2015. This is the second clinical trial conducted by FAST since its inception in 2008 and brings us closer to our goal of helping our children live with fewer struggles.

From the bottom of our hearts, thank you to the individuals, service clubs, elementary school staff, local business owners, families, and especially the kids who helped and encouraged us.

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Highlander events



Photos by Mark Arike

Top left: Volunteer Lynda Litwin sports a lady bug costume as she serves kids punch. Above: Cassidy Doiron, 18 months, dresses up as a duck for the Halloween party. Left: Brietta Lee as a Dutch girl, left, and Mackenzie Mulock as a Day of the Dead Sugar Skull.



Families get into the Halloween spirit

By Mark Arike
Staff Writer

Halloween isn't until Oct. 31, but children and their parents transformed themselves into a variety of creepy characters for this year's Family Halloween Party on Oct. 24 at the Minden Hills Community Centre.

The annual event featured a dance, Halloween-themed games and activities, snacks and a costume contest with prizes awarded for best individual and best family costumes.

The party was hosted by the Township of Minden Hills.


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Above: Terror on Wonderland Road is open, if you're brave enough. Below: Jack Walker gets creeped out by one of the many ghoulish characters at Terror On Wonderland Road.



Terror returns to Wonderland Road

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

For the seventh year in a row, Haliburton residents Alex Bell and Cathy Barnett have turned their backyard into a frightening display of ghosts, ghouls and goblins as part of Terror On Wonderland Road.

Upon arriving at the couple's home at 1280 Wonderland Road, visitors will discover a large maze of horrors, including animatronic robots, live actors and dozens of Halloween decorations.

Several pumpkins that have been carved by local students light up the entrance to the dazzling display.

"Every year Cathy strives to make it

different and better," said Bell, who explained that two months of preparation go into the event.

Three years ago, Bell and Barnett decided to turn their love of Halloween into a fundraiser for Haliburton County's food banks.

"Everyone is very generous," said Bell of the support the event has received over the years.

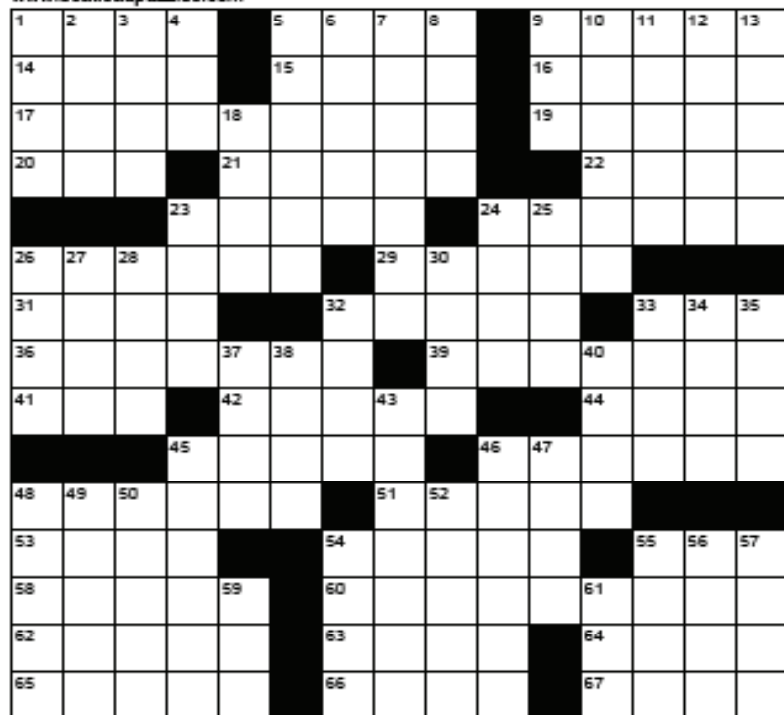
He said that over 1,000 people dared to enter the event last year.

Terror On Wonderland Road was open to the public on Oct. 25 and will finish on Oct. 31. Admission is by nutritional food or monetary donation.

For a list of recommended food items visit haliburtonzombiewalk.com.

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29. The British ____
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32. Manservant
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DOWN

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6. Elevate
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8. Large bodies of water
9. Make lace
10. Spring blooms
11. Contributor
12. Fix
13. Cowboy's rope
18. Flaring star
23. Bothers
24. Bullring shouts
25. Dog docs
26. Peruse
27. Chess piece
28. Understood! (2 wds.)
30. Mattress support
32. Face covering
33. In the middle of
34. Cowboy ____ Autry
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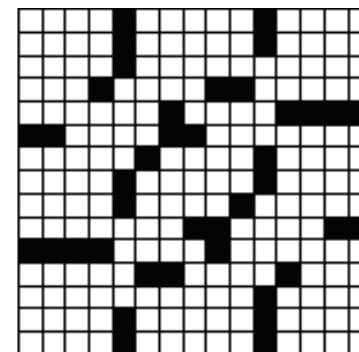
OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 2014 EVENTS

THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
Pickleball, J.D. Hodgson Elementary School, 7-9:30 p.m., 705-457-9808 on Thursdays	HALLOWEEN Terror on Wonderland Road, Halloween haunt and food drive, 1280 Wonderland Road, bring a non-perishable food item. Show starts at 4 p.m. and goes until the last man is standing.	HALIBURTON ZOMBIE WALK & FOOD DRIVE Head Lake Park, 1 pm	Friends of the Haliburton County Public Library annual gala and auction, Nov. 2, 1 p.m. at Pinestone
30	31	November 01	02
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
Haliburton Scottish Country Dancing J.D. Hodgson Elementary School Gym 7 pm	Dorset Quilters and Needleworkers Dorset Recreation Centre 9:30 am	Table Tennis Club, 1-4 p.m. at the Minden Community Centre, Wednesdays	Pickleball, J.D. Hodgson Elementary School, 7-9:30 p.m., 705-457-9808 on Thursdays
Club 35 Tai Chi Classes Dorset Recreation Centre 12 am	Stanhope Shuffleboard Stanhope Firefighters Community Hall 1 pm	Club 35 ballroom and salsa dance classes, 4-8 p.m., 705-766-9968 on Wednesdays	Stanhope Line Dancing Stanhope Firefighters Community Hall 9 am
Club 35 Bid Euchre 17459 Hwy 35, Algonquin Highlands 7pm	Stanhope Bridge Stanhope Firefighters Community Hall 1 pm	Minden Pickleball 55 Parkside Ave, Minden 9 am	Dorset Adult Drop-In Volleyball Dorset Recreation Centre 7 pm
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FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
Turkey Supper - St. Anglicans Seatings at 5:30 & 6 pm 705-286-2541	HIFF - Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion 6:30 pm	HIFF - Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion 6:30 pm	Table Tennis Club, 5:30-7:30 p.m. at the Minden Community Centre on Mondays
HIFF - Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion 6:30 pm	Haliburton International Film Festival		Stanhope Seniors Lunch Stanhope Firefighters Community Hall 12 pm
Club 35 Bid Euchre 17459 Hwy 35, Algonquin Highlands 7 pm	Parklane Christmas Sale 9-2 pm		Club 35 Tai Chi Classes Dorset Recreation Centre 12 am
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WHAT'S GOING ON AT YOUR LEGION OCT 30 - NOV 5, 2014

Haliburton Branch General meeting, 2nd Thursday, 7:30 p.m. Ladies Auxiliary, last Thursday, 1 p.m. Meat draw, Friday, 4:30-6:30 p.m. \$2/draw. 50/50 draw, Saturday, 4 p.m. Breakfast, 2nd and 4th Sunday, 9:30-1 p.m. Bridge, Monday 1 p.m. Bid Euchre, Wednesday, 1 p.m. Bingo \$500 jackpot, \$1,000 jackpot on last Wednesday of the month Zombie Shuffle featuring MacLay Experience, Saturday 4-7 p.m. No cover.	Minden Branch Lunch menu, Monday - Friday, 12-2 p.m. Seniors "B-d" Euchre, Tuesday, 1 p.m. Meat Draw, Wednesday, lunchtime. Creative Crew, Thursday, 10 a.m. Ladies darts, Thursday, 1 p.m. Euchre, Thursday, 7:30 p.m. Fish/Wings & Chips, Friday, 5-7 p.m. Mixed darts, Friday, 7:30 p.m. Sports Fan Day, Sunday, 12-4 p.m.	Wilberforce Branch Pool, Friday, 1:30 p.m. Jam session, Friday, 7:30 p.m. Everyone welcome! Meat draw, Saturday, 2 p.m. Bid euchre, Monday, 7 p.m. Executive meeting, Tuesday, 7 p.m. Fun darts, Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.
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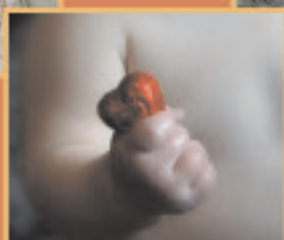
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HIFF integral part of growing local industry

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

The Haliburton International Film Festival (HIFF) was introduced to local audiences eight years ago, just one year after the launch of Those Other Movies.

Since then, the not-for-profit organization has maintained its mandate to provide Haliburton County the very best in Canadian and international films.

According to committee member Tammy Rea, HIFF has played a key role in helping deliver on that promise.

"It's a great chance to see movies that we see at the festivals," said Rea.

In nine years, Those Other Movies has been responsible for bringing over 125 titles from the Toronto International Film Festival to the Highlands.

"There's definitely an audience that wants to see those movies and they love them," she said.

Rea explained that HIFF is more geared toward films that come from other parts of the world and have subtitles. Often times special guests – such as directors and actors – attend to talk about the films with festival goers.

The annual festival, which takes place on the first weekend of November, has a loyal following. Rea gave an example of how a group of women make a girls' weekend out of the event.

"It's a different audience than Those Other Movies. There's overlap, of course, but there are people who just do HIFF," she said.

One year, a couple of Toronto-area directors expressed their shock and surprise when they learned how well-educated audiences were about the films they were being shown, said Rea.

"Our audience is a hugely diverse population, and yet we always have somebody who has a reference to a movie."

With a vibrant arts community that now includes a burgeoning media sector, Rea explained that there are lots of skills and knowledge that can be tapped into. However, one thing the committee would like to do is increase youth attendance at the festival.

"Even if we bring a movie we know youth will love, they don't come because it's an 'old people' thing. That is the thing that we would like to change," she pointed out.

"Engaging youth is really hard, but that's across the whole platform."

The current home of HIFF is at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion. Previous seasons were held at the Molou Theatre in Haliburton and the Beaver Theatre in Minden, both of which are no longer in operation.

Rea said audiences miss being able to



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Members of the HIFF team with the Big News From Grand Rock crew at the film's World Premiere in Sudbury. From left are actor Meredith MacNeill; Marci Mandel, HIFF; Ennis Esmer; Lisa Kerr, HIFF; Roberta Coles, HIFF; and Michael McNamara.

enjoy some popcorn while they watch a film. She would like to be able to one day screen films in an actual movie theatre.

"Everything is going to digital presentation," she explained. "We can't put that in at the high school because that's like a \$50,000 machine. So we don't see that that's going to happen until we get a new theatre."

Rea recalled the 2009 festival, when a gala was held at the Beaver Theatre.

She said it offered patrons a complete experience with hors d'oeuvres, drinks, art on the walls and live entertainment from the high school's jazz band.

"To have all of that happen in one room is what we hope to see again," she said.

HIFF runs from Nov. 7-9. For the full movie lineup and information about the rest of the festivities visit haliburton-movies.com.

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